

**Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116
- Expedited Examining Procedure -
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NANOPARTICLES TO MINIMIZE
GROWTH OF MICRO-ORGANISMS
IN HOT FILLED DRINKS**

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

In response to the Office Action dated August 21, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.